

**MINUTES
MONROE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2014**

7:30 p.m.

1. Mayor R. Kirt Nilsson conducting

The regular meeting of the Monroe City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor R. Kirt Nilsson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Johnny Parsons. Prayer was offered by Mayor Nilsson.

Present:

Mayor R. Kirt Nilsson

Councilmembers: Fran Washburn, Joe Anderson, Johnny Parsons

City Recorder Emalee Curtis

City Public Works Superintendent Devin Magleby is excused. He is on vacation.

Councilmember Troy Torgersen is excused from tonight's meeting, He is attending a conference in St. George.

Councilmember Perry Payne is excused from tonight's meeting. He is working out of town.

Citizens:

Chad Hunt, Richfield Reaper

Ben Meacham

Councilmembers reviewed the minutes of the October 14, 2014 city council meeting.

Councilmember Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014 city council meeting as submitted. Motion seconded by Councilmember Anderson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

2. Citizen input

Ben Meacham said he is observing tonight's meeting for a public speaking class assignment.

3. Business

A. Review and approve UDOT Statewide Utility License Agreement

Monroe City received a letter from the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) informing us that the city does not have a statewide utility license agreement with UDOT. Such an agreement is needed if there are city owned utilities within the UDOT right of way. This agreement formalizes the practices and procedures that the city already follows, such as obtaining an encroachment permit prior to any excavation or repairs. The city and UDOT agree to work together in good faith to reach a mutually beneficial decision on any permit application.

Monroe City does have utilities within the UDOT right of way (HWY 118).

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A motion was made by Councilmember Parsons, seconded by Councilmember Washburn, to approve the Monroe City/UDOT Statewide Utility License Agreement. Voting for the motion: Councilmembers Parsons, Washburn, Anderson. All were in favor. Motion passed.

B. Reschedule/cancel November 11, 2014 (Veteran's Day) City Council Meeting

The next regularly scheduled city council meeting is Veteran's Day, a legal holiday.

Councilmembers reviewed their November calendars and schedules.

The council agreed to cancel the November 11th and 25th city council meetings and hold a meeting on November 18.

Newsletter articles are due on the 18th.

4. Staff Reports - REMINDER Land Use Training October 30, 2014 at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.

* Meg Ryan, Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT) land use planner, will conduct a land use training on October 30, 2014 at the EMS Building. The training specifically for Monroe City issues will begin at 4:00 p.m. with food served prior to the second more general land use training beginning at 6:30 p.m. Area city councils and planning commissions have been invited to the 6:30 p.m. training.

* A Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) workshop was held last week. The application handbook was reviewed. If Monroe City is planning to submit an application, they will need to schedule a public hearing and perform an income survey of our citizens. A check list of requirements was reviewed. The estimated amount of funding available for the Six County Association area is \$350,000. There were a lot of communities interested in submitting an application who attended this mandatory workshop. No decision was made regarding Monroe City proceeding with an application for this grant.

5. Department business - reports and concerns - law enforcement concerns

Councilmember Joseph Anderson - Streets Department - Weeds - Equipment - Sr/ Citizens

* Councilmember Anderson has visited with Devin regarding the streets department and planning for weed control in the spring. He is getting up to speed on learning his duties and responsibilities. He was surprised when he learned the small amount of chip sealing that our budget allows annually.

* He plans to look at other types of dollars to raise money to help departments find funding.

Councilmember Perry Payne - Electric - Mosquito Abatement - Utility Board

* Councilmember Payne is excused from tonight's meeting. He is out of town.

Councilmember Fran Washburn - Parks - Cemetery - Planning Commission

* The new grass at Mtn. View Park is growing. It is getting a good start before winter sets in.

Councilmember Johnny Parsons - Water - Irrigation - Wastewater - Fire Department

* The city pressurized irrigation will be turned off Thursday. It will be drained by this Friday.

* A mock disaster training was held at the high school today. It was good for all involved.

Hopefully it will help the youth realize the reality of their actions. It gave good pointers for first responders. It was a good training for our local fire department as well.

* Snow College is sponsoring a suicide prevention program Nov 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Sevier Valley Center.

Councilmember Troy Torgersen - Library - CERT - EMS - Landfill - Garbage - Youth Council

* Councilmember Torgersen is excused from tonight's meeting. He is out of town.

Mayor R. Kirt Nilsson - General Administration

* The city received a letter from the Intermountain Power Agency (IPA) regarding power renewal contracts for the Intermountain Power Project (IPP). The city has spent a lot of time reviewing these documents as well as meeting with IPA representatives. The Mayor from Meadow Town visited with Mayor Nilsson. They were told they were the only municipality who had not signed the contracts. We thought we were the only one. There is still pressure for us to sign.

6. Adjournment

Councilmember Parsons moved to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilmember Anderson. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Approved this 18th day of November, 2014